Readout: U.S.-Republic of Korea-Japan Trilateral Video-Teleconference

The United States, the Republic of Korea (ROK), and Japan held a trilateral secure videoteleconference on April 6 (EDT) to share information regarding the North Korean missile launch conducted on April 4 (EDT) and to coordinate responses.

Andrew Winternitz, acting principal director for East Asia, ROK Deputy Director General for International Policy Brigadier General Park Cheol Kyun, and Japan Director for Defense Policy Koji Kano, led their respective interagency delegations.

The representatives strongly condemned the North Korean missile launch as a clear and flagrant violation of multiple United Nations Security Council resolutions, noting that North Korea's ballistic missile programs pose a serious threat to peace and stability on the Korean Peninsula and in Northeast Asia. The United States reaffirmed its ironclad security commitments to the ROK and Japan. The three sides resolved to bolster trilateral cooperation and coordination to enhance regional security and stability.